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CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

SUMMARY: MFA NAMES ITS NEW REPRESENTATIVES ON NEW
COUNCIL OF STATE. GROUP DISTINGUISHED BY YOUTHFULNESS.
END SUMMARY.

1. PRESIDENT SPINOLA ON JULY 24 INVESTED FOUR NEW MFA
MEMBERS ON COUNCIL OF STATE. NEW MFA MEMBERS WERE ELECTED
BY MFA IN SOME FASHION NOT REVEALED TO PUBLIC. THE
NEW MFA REPRESENTATIVES WHO REPLACE THE FOUR WHO WERE
NAMED MINISTERS IN NEW GOVERNMENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

--LTCOL MANUEL RIBEIRO FRANCO CHARAIS 43,
BORN IN OPORTO. FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF HIS MILITARY
STUDIES IN 1953, HE STUDIED BRIEFLY AT GENERAL
MILITARY ACADEMY IN ZARAGOSA SPAIN. BESIDES SERVICE
IN AZORES AND MADEIRA, CHARAIS HAS HAD MILITARY
EXPERIENCE OUTSIDE OF METROPOLE IN ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE.
HE ALSO HAS BEEN ON NUMEROUS OFFICIAL MISSIONS TO
FOUR PORTUGUESE AFRICAN TERRITORIES, AS WELL AS TO
FRANCE, BELGIUM, UK, GERMANY, AND SOUTH AFRICA. AT
TIME OF ELECTION HE WAS SERVING IN THE GABINETE OF THE
CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE AIR FORCE.

-- MAJOR JOSE BERNARDO DE CANTO E CASTRO, AVIATOR,
32, BORN IN DILI (PORTUGUESE TIMOR). SERVED AT AIR
BASE OUTSIDE LUANDA FROM APRIL 1967 TO JULY 1973.

--CAPTAIN DUARTE NUNO DE ATAIDE PINTO SOARES 31,
BORN IN MOZAMBIQUE. COMPLETED STUDY IN CIVIL
ENGINEERING WHILE IN MILITARY ACADEMY, SERVED
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IN ANGOLA WHERE HE HAD SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES
RELATING TO MILITARY'S CIVIL ENGINEERING PROJECTS. HAS
ALSO SERVED IN TECHNICAL/ADMINISTRATIVE CAPACITY IN PRIVATE
SECTOR AND HAS REPRESENTED PORTUGAL AT (1958) BRUSSELS
WORLD CONGRESS ON PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND (1963) CEREMONIES
MARKING INDEPENDENCE OF BRAZIL AND FOURTH
CENTENARY OF RIO DE JANEIRO. HE WAS ARRESTED IN MARCH
OF THIS YEAR, WHEN HIS ROLE IN ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT WAS

DETECTED. HE HAS BEEN SERVING ON MFA'S COORDINATING COMMITTEE.

-- CAPTAIN VASCO CORREIA LOURENCO 32, BORN IN CONTINENTAL PORTUGAL. SERVED IN GUINEA FROM 1969-1971. WAS PEREMPTORILY TRANSFERRED THIS SPRING, ONCE HIS INVOLVEMENT IN MFA DETECTED. HAS BEEN SERVING ON MFA'S COORDINATING COMMITTEE.

2. COMMENT: WITH EXCEPTION OF CHARAIS, THESE NEW MEMBERS ARE ALL UNDER 35, CONSIDERABLY YOUNGER THAN THEIR PREDECESSORS. WE DO NOT AS YET HAVE INFORMATION ON THEIR POLITICAL ORIENTATION.
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